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## ASSESSMENT SYSTEM.



### UNDER THE INSURANCE ACT.

(Being Chapter 124 of the Revised Statutes of Canada and amendments thereto)

Ottawa, 31st March, 1899.

THE CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION NO 8, issued to the Grand Council of the Catholic Mutual Benefit Association of Canada for the transaction of Assessment Life Insurance business in the Dominion of Canada, is hereby renewed till the thirty first day of March, 1900

J. M. COURTNEY,  
Deputy Minister of Finance.  
W. FITZGERALD,  
Superintendent of Insurance.



### DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE, ONTARIO.

No. 641.

#### CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRY AS INSURANCE COMPANY.

Whereas by the application of the Grand Council of the Catholic Mutual Benefit Association of Canada, made pursuant to the Insurance Corporation Act, 1892, and the Acts amending and consolidating the same, it has been made to appear to the undersigned, the Inspector of Insurance for the Province of Ontario, that the said applicant is entitled to registry as an insurance company:

NOW, THEREFORE, THIS IS TO CERTIFY that the said company is accordingly registered for the transaction of Life Insurance on the Assessment Plan in the Province of Ontario, for the term beginning on the first day of May, 1899, and ending on the thirtieth day of April, 1900, subject to the provisions of the aforesaid acts.

J. HOWARD HUNTER  
Entered on the Insurance License Register No. 1215. Folio 121.  
Wm. J. VALE, Entry Clerk.

#### NOTES.

Officers of branches are reminded that the per capita tax, initiation tax and Supervising Medical Examiner's fees for the quarter ending March 31st,

1899, are overdue, and should be paid without further delay. See Sections 60, 147 and 176 of Constitution.

Branch 307, Toronto Junction, was instituted April 10 by Organizer Killackey, with twenty nine members, of whom twenty-two are charter members. Three applications for membership were also handed in. The list of officers elected and installed will appear in our next issue. This is excellent work, and Bro. Farrell, who aided materially, has been honored by being unanimously elected first President of the new branch.

Branches shall be held responsible for the Supervising Medical Examiner's fees in every case. It matters not whether an applicant is approved or rejected, the branch to which his application was made is held liable for the Supervisor's fees; therefore, the branch officers, in order to protect their General Fund, should see that said fee is paid by the applicant at the time the application is made. See the last sentence of Sec. 147, Constitution.

We are pleased to hear that since February 27 our worthy brother, P. J. Montreuil, has assumed the management of the important firm The Beauport Brewing Co., having its headquarters in the city of Quebec. We believe the directors of the above firm could not make a more judicious selection. Our brother is deserving in every respect the confidence placed in him. His ability, his long experience of the trade and his many connections throughout the country will eventually enlarge the business of the firm. We wish Bro. Montreuil every success.

#### THANKS.

At a regular meeting of Branch No. 100, held on the 7th inst., the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Moved by Bro. P. J. Burns, seconded by Bro. John J. Harrington, that a vote of thanks be tendered to the Grand Secretary for his generous donation of supplies, to take the place of what our branch lost by the fire. Also that the Recording Secretary

acknowledge the sincerest thanks of the members of the branch to Bro Brown, with the wishes of long life and prosperity.

Wm J. LAPlANTE,  
Rec. Secy.

#### OPEN MEETING OF BRANCH 107.

An open meeting of Branch 107, of Cobourg, was held on 11th February, when a large audience had the pleasure of listening to an eloquent address by Bro. Killackey, Organizer for Ontario, on the aims and benefits of the Catholic Mutual Benefit Association.

The audience manifested the highest appreciation of the lecture. Several announced their intention of becoming members in the near future and five applications were filled out by Bro. Killackey immediately after the meeting, which has created much interest in the C. M. B. A. here.

The Misses Gilmurphy, Doody and Meagher furnished several selections of vocal and instrumental music. A hearty vote of thanks was tendered Bro Killackey for the able manner in which he dealt with the different objects of the Association.

#### ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

Halifax, April 1, 1899  
To the Officers and Members of Branch 132, C. M. B. A., City.

Dear Sirs—I beg to acknowledge receipt, through your Recording Secretary, Mr. F. W. Meyer, of a cheque for \$1000, being the amount of insurance on the life of my late husband, Joseph Weston, who was a member of your branch.

I also desire to express my grateful thanks to your Association for the promptness with which they paid the claim.

Trusting that the C. M. B. A. may continue to prosper in its good work I am, yours respectfully,  
MARY WESTON

Barrido, March 22, 1899  
To the Officers and Members of Branch 31, C. M. B. A., Barrido, Ont

Gentlemen—Please accept my most sincere thanks for cheque for \$2000 through your Recording Secretary, Mr. John J. Kelly, being amount of beneficiary in your association on the life of my late husband, Miles Murphy.

Also thanking you for your sympathy and kindness in our bereavement and the association for their promptness in paying the claim.

Yours sincerely,  
(Signed) MARY ANN MURPHY.

Toronto, Feb. 25, 1899

To the Officers and Members of Branch 111, C. M. B. A.

Gentlemen—Allow me to thank you most sincerely, on behalf of myself and daughter, for your prompt settlement of my claim against your noble society, on the death of my late husband, Thomas O'Neill

I take this opportunity also of returning my grateful acknowledgment to the members for all their kind acts during the sickness and death of my husband

Wishing your society every success,  
I am, yours sincerely,  
MARGARET JANE O'NEILL

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N. B.—The initiations in the last three branches are charter members.  
Les initiations des tr. 43 dernières succursales sont des membres fondateurs.

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Correspondents will please remember that copy must reach us before the 10th of the month of publication for publication in the following month's issue, and that space is limited and no copy is guaranteed.

Address all communications to  
H. R. BROWN,  
Editor and Manager,  
Cote Block, Dundas Street,  
London, Ont.

LONDON, APRIL, 1899.

PROCLAMATION.

Revised Constitution.

To the Members of the Grand Council of the Catholic Mutual Benefit Association of Canada.

Brothers — In pursuance of the powers vested in me by the Constitution and Laws of this Association, I hereby declare the Constitution and By-Laws of this Grand Council, as revised by the Committee appointed for said purpose at our last regular Convention, held at Quebec City, Que., on the 23rd, 24th and 25th of August, 1898, and as now printed and in the hands of our Grand Secretary for distribution, to be the Constitution and By-Laws governing this Grand Council and all its Branches and Members from and after the 23rd day of March, 1899, until further amended.

Your fraternally,

M. F. HACKETT,  
Grand President C. M. B. A. of Canada.  
Stanstead, Que., March 23, 1899.

EASTER DUTY.

The first thing required from a person applying for membership in the C. M. B. A. is proof that he is a practical Catholic. No matter how good a risk one may be physically, if he is not in a position to show that he is a practical Catholic he is barred from membership in this Association.

The being a practical Catholic when one becomes a member of the C. M. B. A. is not, however, sufficient. To retain membership in the organization and be entitled to participate in the Beneficiary Fund, a member must continue to be a practical Catholic. This is our fundamental obligation. Let no C. M. B. A. member deceive himself. This is one of the conditions, and the principal one, on which a policy or beneficiary certificate is issued to each member.

Some of our members who, unfortunately, have neglected this important condition to their retaining membership, endeavor to console themselves by saying: "Well, the Association cannot expel me without proof that I am not a practical Catholic, and this

would be difficult to procure." Not so difficult now, my deluded friend.

At the late Convention Clause 56 of Section 210 of our Constitution was entirely erased, and Section 31 is now our sole law on the matter. Said Section says: "All questions pertaining to the spiritual qualifications of members shall be decided by their respective Pastors, subject, however, to appeal to the Bishop of the diocese in which the branch is located; and no one whose claims to be a practical Catholic such Pastor and Bishop refuse to endorse can be retained in the Association. This section shall never be altered or amended."

Now, dear brothers, let it not be said after the Easter time this year that we have even one member in any branch of the C. M. B. A. of Canada who has not performed his Easter duty.

PAYING ASSESSMENTS.

Members should be prompt in paying assessments. Prompt payment of assessments means to the member security from suspension and knowledge that the beneficiary rights are not in jeopardy. Men insure their lives for the welfare of some one or more in whom they are personally interested, with the intention of providing certain resources for those in whom they have so much interest centred, and with a knowledge that certain conditions must be complied with in order to secure the benefit. One of these conditions is the payment of assessments.

Our Association has laws governing its membership, and the framers of these laws sought to make them as equitable as possible. In the law governing assessments there is a provision granting a certain number of days as grace. Our assessments are called on the first day of each month and are due on that day, but our members are granted days of grace extending until the 3rd day of the following month. It is here where so many of our members make a mistake. They take it for granted that the assessments are due on the date the time expires for their payment. Such is not the case; they are due on the first day of the month, or the day on which they are called; then, why wait for the days of grace to expire before paying them?

Brothers, pay your assessments promptly and thus give the Financial Secretary and Treasurer of your branch ample time to prepare their reports for prompt remittance to the Grand Secretary, thereby replenishing the treasury from which our beneficiaries draw their money. Do not forget that your turn will come, and those in whose favor your C. M. B. A. policy is, will no doubt look for prompt payment. Why not, then, follow the Golden Rule, "Do unto others," etc.

CERTIFICATES OF BIRTH.

Section 145 of our Constitution says: "Branches shall insist upon a statutory declaration from an applicant with respect to age or the production of a certificate of birth in all cases, and such declaration of age or certificate of birth shall be forwarded to the Grand Secretary by the Recording Secretary of the branch, with the application for membership, when the applicant is initiated."

Several of our branches seem to pay no attention to this very important regulation of our Association; and this neglect is the cause of a large number of members not receiving policies, and may lead to a great deal of trouble hereafter. We cannot understand why the officers of any branch should violate our Constitution by allowing an applicant, who has not produced said proof of age, to be balloted for and initiated. They have no more right to violate this than any other section of the Constitution.

ORGANIZER FOR NOVA SCOTIA APPOINTED.

Pursuant to the provisions made therefor at the last meeting of the Board of Trustees, Finlay Macdonald, LL. B., of Halifax, has been appointed Organizer for the C. M. B. A. in the Province of Nova Scotia. The selection is a very good one, and it will doubtless be followed by the most gratifying results in the fine old province by the sea. Mr. Macdonald was born a little over thirty years ago at Port Hawkesbury, C. B., his family being one of the pioneer Catholic families in Eastern Nova Scotia. He made a course at St. F. X. College, Antigonish, and then went into the railway business. In 1896 he severed his connection with the Intercolonial Railway and began the study of law at Dalhousie Law School, where he has graduated this spring with high honors. In the recent Intercollegiate Oratorical Contest he represented Dalhousie, and acquitted himself with great distinction. Mr. Macdonald brings to his important work industry, good judgment, high character and a thorough knowledge of the local conditions of his field of work. We trust that the clergy, the grand deputies and the members at large will give the organizer every assistance in his good work, and we confidently look forward to the best results from his work.

AMENDMENTS TO CONSTITUTION.

The following amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws of the Grand Council of the Catholic Mutual Benefit Association of Canada and its branches have been promulgated by the Grand President this twenty-third day of March, 1899, and are now in force:

Sec. 21. Whenever the said deposits shall exceed a sum equal to one assess-

ment for each and every member, then such excess may be invested by the Trustees of the Reserve Fund as provided by the Act of Incorporation of this Grand Council, or may remain on deposit as so provided.

The said sum of one full assessment on deposit, or such part thereof as is necessary, may be withdrawn from the Reserve Fund to enable the Treasurer to have sufficient money on hand to pay beneficiary claims when due or within the time allowed by law; the sum so withdrawn shall be replaced as soon as the assessment or assessments issued for payment of such claims have been received by the Grand Secretary.

Sec. 25. The said Reserve Fund shall remain intact and undiminished, excepting as to amount allowed to be withdrawn by Section 21, and shall be increased from time to time, except that whenever in any one year the members shall have paid twenty-four assessments, the Trustees of the Reserve Fund shall appropriate so much of said Fund as may be necessary to pay the amount due to beneficiaries, in excess of the amount received from such assessments. This payment to be in lieu of an assessment or assessments upon the surviving members. Except also that whenever said Fund shall have reached the sum of \$125 000 and the assessments in any one year to pay death claims have not exceeded said number, then the Trustees of the Reserve Fund shall appropriate the surplus over and above said amount and the interest on the whole of said Reserve Fund, or so much as may be necessary, to pay the amount due to beneficiaries in excess of the amount received from such assessments. This payment also to be in lieu of an assessment or assessments upon the surviving members. Always provided, however, that the total minimum amount of this Fund shall be ten thousand dollars, which amount shall remain intact and undiminished; moneys over and above this amount only being available for the purposes above recited.

Sec. 32. The Grand Council shall meet triennially on or about the fourth Tuesday in August, or at such other time in that or the following month and beginning on such day of the week as the Grand President and Board of Trustees decide, and shall continue to meet from day to day, consecutively (Sundays and holidays excepted), until all the business before it is disposed of. The officers and representatives shall attend High Mass in a body on the first morning of the Convention. The place of the triennial Convention shall be as a majority shall, by ballot, determine at each preceding Convention.

Sec. 35. Branches shall be represented by their Representatives or Alternates. Every Representative or Alternate must be a Chancellor or the acting President in the branch which he represents at the time fixed by the Constitution and laws for election of Representatives and Alternates to Grand Council Convention, except in case of new branches, when any elective officer may be elected as a Representative or Alternate; and in old branches where there is but one Chancellor, the Alternate shall be elected from among those members who have held or are holding an elective office in the branch; but when any branch has a Grand Council Officer among its membership, said officer shall be the Representative of such branch, and if the branch has more than one Grand Council Officer it shall, by election, decide which of such officers shall be Representative.

Sec. 39. The Grand President, together with the Grand Board of Trustees, shall select a Spiritual Adviser for this Council immediately after the close of the regular Convention. Such Spiritual Adviser shall hold office for a term of three years, or until a successor is appointed.

Sec. 40. The elective officers shall be a Grand President, First Vice-President, Second Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Marshal, Guard, five Trustees, a Committee on Laws and their Supervision, consisting of three members, and a Committee on Finance and Mileage, consisting of three members, all of whom shall serve for a term of three years, or until their successors are elected and qualified.

Sec. 62. The Grand Council of the Catholic Mutual Benefit Association of Canada shall have an official organ under the title "THE CANADIAN," said organ to be published monthly and mailed free to all members of the Association; and any mandate, decree, order or notice published therein emanating from the proper authority, shall be and is hereby declared to be official notice for the purpose for which it is given to the officers and members of the Association, or to whom it may concern.

Said official organ shall be, and remain, the property of the Association, and if possible be made self-sustaining by allowing advertisements therein; such advertisements to be under the control of the Grand President and Board of Trustees.

Sec. 74. All branches shall forward annually, on or before the fifteenth day of January, to the Grand Secretary their annual report for the preceding year.

Sec. 75. Branches failing to forward said report as aforesaid, shall be fined the sum of \$10.00, the same to be paid from the general fund of said delinquent branch to the Grand Secretary for the benefit of the General Fund of the Council. If such fine be not paid on or before the first day of March of the same year, the Grand President shall suspend such branch.

Sec. 155. Any member in good standing may resign from the Association by tendering his resignation in writing in the following form:

THE GRAND COUNCIL OF THE  
CATHOLIC MUTUAL BENEFIT ASSOCIATION  
OF CANADA.

To.....  
Secretary of.....Branch No... C.M.B.A.

Dear Sir and Brother:—  
I hereby tender my resignation as a member of.....Branch No. G.C. of C.M.B.A. of Canada, located in..... and I do hereby resign as a member of such Association, and further, I hereby surrender the Policy issued to me by said Association, and I cancel all the rights, privileges and benefits I have heretofore had or now have as such member.  
Yours fraternally,

Sec. 155 (a). In addition to the class of members stated and referred to in preceding sections of this Constitution, branches may have

#### SOCIAL MEMBERS

Such members must be under eighteen years of age or over fifty, or if over eighteen and under the age of fifty years, must have been rejected upon a due application for membership by the Supervising Medical Examiner. They must pay the regular initiation fee of \$3.00 and the monthly dues proposed by the branch to which they belong; they shall not be allowed the right to vote on any question appertaining to the beneficiary or reserve funds, nor shall they be allowed to vote on the election of a representa-

tive to Grand Council Conventions, or on an application for membership of any candidate who is an applicant under our present beneficiary system, or any other beneficiary system that may be hereafter introduced. In all other respects they must submit to the By-laws and Constitution of the Association. They shall not be eligible for any office.

Sec. 177. Seven members in good standing shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, excepting that branches having a membership of not more than twenty five may transact business with a quorum of five members. The branch shall be opened at the time prescribed in the by-laws or the standing resolutions, if a quorum be present, including one qualified to preside. In the absence of the President and First and Second Vice Presidents, the Senior Chancellor present shall preside.

Sec. 172. The President shall preside at all meetings of the branch, preserve order therein and enforce the laws, rules and regulations of the branch and those of the Grand Council; decide all questions of order subject to an appeal to the branch, a two-third vote of which shall decide thereon, act as judge of all elections and declare the result to the branch. He shall appoint all committees, unless otherwise ordered by the branch; he shall sign all orders on the Treasurer for such monies as may be ordered, by a vote of the branch, to be paid; he shall not be entitled to vote except on balloting for candidates, or as otherwise provided in this Constitution; and when the members are equally divided he shall have the casting vote; he shall open and close the branch in due form; he shall call special meetings of the branch when requested to do so by five members, or by his own motion in writing. As soon thereafter as possible, he shall appoint a Business Committee, and a Finance Committee, each of which shall consist of three members in good standing and at the first meeting in each half year, or as soon thereafter as possible, he shall appoint a committee on the Good of the Association, said committee to consist of five members, of whom the Spiritual Adviser shall be one. He shall perform such other duties appertaining to his office as are enjoined by the laws, rules and regulations of the Association.

Sec. 184 (a). The Committee on the Good of the Association shall promote the best interests of the Association locally by arranging for literary or musical entertainments; procure papers of interest to the members to be read or discussed; familiarize members with the Constitution, By-Laws, Rules of Order and Ceremonial of the Association; visit members who may not be in good standing, or who may be dilatory in paying dues and assessments, and endeavor by every means to prevent suspensions and expulsions; prepare and keep a record of all persons eligible for membership, which shall be reported at each meeting, that they may be induced to join the Association; create a livelier interest in the Association and cultivate a better fraternal feeling among members.

Sec. 195. Seven valid votes or ballots shall be required to determine any election, motion or question before the branch; but the majority of the valid votes cast shall decide all elections, motions or questions, except such as affect the by-laws, involve an appropriation or expenditure of money,

remove an officer or fine or suspend a member, to determine which shall require the concurrence of two-thirds of the valid votes cast. If seven members only be present no appropriation of money shall be made unless it be by unanimous consent. The presiding officer can vote on any question when he is one of any seven members present, but in branches having a membership of not more than twenty five the word five shall take the place of the word seven in this section.

N.B. Wherever the word biennial occurs in the Constitution read *biennial*.

#### TITLE VII.

#### CODE OF PROCEDURE FOR THE GRAND COUNCIL AND BRANCHES

#### SECTION 210

1. The subject matter of a complaint against any member, officer, board or branch shall be called the charge.

2. The party making the charge shall be called the complainant, and the party against whom the charge is made the accused.

3. The charge shall be in writing signed by the complainant. The material circumstances of the case should be stated with reasonable particularity.

4. The charge, with a copy or duplicate thereof, shall be filed with the branch Recording Secretary, who shall, within three days thereafter, deliver such copy or duplicate to the accused, or mail the same to him prepaid and registered.

5. In all cases, except where the charge is that the accused has not made his Easter duty, the sum of \$10.00 shall be paid to the Recording Secretary at the time the charge is filed. This sum shall be returned to the complainant if the charge is established, otherwise, less the disbursements of the Recording Secretary, it shall be paid to the Grand Secretary for the general fund of the Association.

6. The accused shall file a reply to the charge within seven days after the delivery to or receipt by him of the charge. A copy or duplicate of such reply shall also be left with the branch Recording Secretary, who shall forthwith deliver such copy or duplicate to the complainant or mail the same to him, prepaid and registered.

7. If the accused shall make default in filing his reply within the time hereinafore limited, he shall be held to have admitted that he is guilty of the charge made against him, and the Recording Secretary shall so report to the Grand President.

8. Within three days after the receipt of the reply, if any is made, the Recording Secretary shall, by mail, prepaid and registered, forward the charge and the reply thereto to the Grand President. If matters of fact are in dispute the Grand President shall refer such matters to a member of the Association, who shall investigate the same; otherwise he may render his decision upon the facts admitted.

9. The investigation shall be held at such time and place as the referee shall appoint. At least two days notice of the hearing shall be given by the referee to the complainant and the accused.

10. The parties shall attend at the time and place so appointed, and shall be entitled to be represented by counsel.

11. The evidence shall be reduced to writing and signed by each party or witness.

12. It shall be read over to the witness before being signed, and all such alterations and corrections as are proper shall then be made. After a witness has signed his evidence it shall not be altered in any way.

13. An adjournment may be granted whenever the referee is satisfied that such adjournment is sought in the interest of justice and not for the purpose of delay merely.

14. The complainant and his witnesses (if any) shall first give their evidence and shall be followed by the accused and his witnesses (if any). Evidence in reply may then be given on the part of the complainant. The referee may allow arguments to be presented on behalf of the parties.

15. The referee may employ a stenographer to take the evidence if he so desire, and, if a stenographer be employed, he shall first file a statutory declaration that he will faithfully record, and extend, the evidence and arguments. When a stenographer is employed the evidence need not be signed by the witnesses.

16. Should either party fail to attend at the time and place appointed the referee shall certify the fact to the Grand President.

17. After the evidence and arguments are completed the referee shall forthwith transmit all papers to the Grand President, who shall give his decision thereon within one week after the receipt of the papers and shall notify the Recording Secretary and the complainant and accused of such decision.

18. The Grand President shall have power to impose a fine not exceeding \$20.00 or suspension for any period not exceeding three months, or he may suspend the party found guilty until such time as he has complied with the provisions of the constitution or by-laws, which he has been found guilty of violating.

19. If the Grand President finds that the complainant has preferred a frivolous or malicious charge he may impose a fine not exceeding \$20.00 on the complainant, or suspend him for a period not exceeding two months, or he may impose both fine and suspension.

20. No reinstatement of the offending member shall take place until the decision of the Grand President has been fully complied with.

21. Either party may appeal to the Grand Trustees from the decision of the Grand President by giving notice to him and the opposite party, within seven days after the decision is announced, and the Grand Trustees shall deal with the appeal at their next meeting thereafter.

22. Every decision of the Board of Trustees must be given and communicated at least thirty days before the Convention of the Council, in order to allow the parties a reasonable time to prepare their appeal to the Council.

23. In case of such further appeal must be served on the opposite party and the Board of Trustees at least seven days before the Convention of the Council, together with the reasons therefor, and all reasons against such appeal must be similarly served at least ten days before such Convention.

24. Every appeal must be accompanied by a deposit of ten dollars to assist in defraying the expenses of such appeal.

25. The tribunal appealed to may reverse, vary, or confirm the sentence of the tribunal appealed from.

26. No new evidence shall be admissible on any appeal.

27. Should the decision in the first

instance involve a removal from office, the party charged shall immediately vacate the same, unless the Grand President certifies in writing that no vacation shall take place while proceedings in appeal are pending.

28. No party to an appeal, whose decision is appealed from, shall sit upon the hearing of such appeal.

29. The beneficiaries of a member who shall die while under suspension as herein provided, or who refuses to pay any penalty herein fixed within the time limited for payment of the same, shall not have any claim against the Association, and the beneficiary certificate issued to such member shall be null and void.

30. Should the appellant die pending appeal and the appeal be allowed, his beneficiaries shall be relegated to their original rights.

31. Any member who has complied with the sentence imposed shall be entitled to re-instatement upon written application at the first regular meeting of his branch thereafter, and upon payment of all dues and assessments levied up to the time of re-instatement.

32. No member shall be entitled to bring any action or other legal proceedings against the Grand Council, or the trustees of any branch, until he has exhausted all the remedies provided in the Constitution and this Code, by way of appeal or otherwise.

33. All fines inflicted under the provisions of this Code shall be recoverable by the Grand Secretary and shall be paid by him into the general fund of the Grand Council.

34. The expenses of the referee and stenographer referred to herein shall be paid by the Grand Council.

### GRAND ORGANIZER KILLACKEY AT BELLEVILLE.

On the evening of January 30 Grand Organizer Killackey addressed an open meeting in the hall of Branch 76, C. M. B. A., Belleville. In eloquent language he showed his large and enthusiastic audience that the C. M. B. A. was more than a mere insurance association—that it was an organization for the teaching of the great virtues of "piety, integrity and frugality"; an organization for the levelling, by raising up, of Catholic manhood, also a powerful assistant of the Church. Coming to the business part of the association, he drew particular attention to the low cost of management, something less than 5 per cent. The small number of lapses, the reserve fund, and its uniform success from its inception. Before closing, Brother Killackey asked for a special meeting on the evening of Feb. 3d.

A cordial vote of thanks was moved by Chancellors Hardy and Hanley to Brother Killackey for his very eloquent and instructive address.

At the special meeting Brother Killackey asked for the information necessary for the filling out of the reports, and gave the branch valuable instructions for the proper conducting of its business.

The Right Rev. Mgr. Farrelly visited the meeting just as our Organizer was addressing the members on their spiritual obligations, which he said consisted in something more than merely attending their Easter duty.

The President, E. J. Butler, then asked the revered and beloved pastor of St. Michael's to give the branch a few words of counsel and advice before leaving, which he did in that kindly and fatherly way so characteristic of him.

He said that the address of Brother Killackey covered everything that he would have said and more. It breathed the true spirit of Catholicity, and although he had always had a high regard for the C. M. B. A., on account of the great good the Association had done in Belleville, his ideas of the Association had been broadened by listening to Mr. Killackey. He believed the principles of the C. M. B. A. were right, and that the Organizer was the right man in the right place. He referred to the good work done by the C. M. B. A. in Belleville, both by bringing indifferent Catholics to a better knowledge of their duty and by assisting widows and orphans, who, but for the society, would have been in very hard circumstances.

At both Masses on Sunday Mgr. Farrelly eulogized the C. M. B. A. and the Organizer, and advised all persons to attend the meeting in the afternoon, to take advantage of the present opportunity of joining the Association.

Well you may ask: What was the result of all this? It is easily told. On the evening of February 7, there were 21 initiated. February 21, 11 initiated, or a total of 35 initiated, with about a dozen applications yet to be considered.

Brother Killackey certainly won the hearts of the C. M. B. A. in Belleville. His methods were very successful here. His strongest quality seemed to be his power of inspiring the members with a desire to work for the Association.

### GRAND ORGANIZER W. P. KILLACKEY

Visits St. Gregory's Branch, No. 90, Picton, Ont.

Tuesday evening, Jan. 31st, will be long remembered by the members of St. Gregory's branch and their friends in this town and county. On this occasion Bro. W. P. Killackey paid a friendly visit to St. Gregory's branch, and delivered, probably, one of the finest addresses ever heard in this town. Major Fitz Horrigan kindly agreed to act as chairman, and, on introducing the speaker, whom he met for the first time, paid a well merited tribute, which was more than verified before Bro Killackey had been speaking five minutes. The attendance was not quite as large as was expected, owing to the bad state of the roads and weather. Those who were fortunate enough to attend will long remember the happy occasion. Bro. Killackey addressed the meeting for over an hour, and clearly demonstrated that as an organizer he has no equal in the Dominion. Bro. Killackey held the attention of the audience in a truly wonderful manner, every eye being keenly riveted on him during the address. The speaker's remarks were very clearly expressed, and were so convincing that the membership of our branch has been increased by about seventeen or eighteen members. The grand officers are to be complimented for selecting a gentleman of such rare ability to work for the interests of our Association throughout the Dominion, and we would urge every branch having the interests of our great Association at heart to prevail upon Bro. Killackey for a visit. We feel sure that the twenty thousand mark would soon be reached. We will be delighted to have another visit from our esteemed brother in the near future. The meeting was brought to a close after a couple of beautiful solos by Miss Minnie McCarron, a charming young daughter of our Past President. A

hearty vote of thanks was passed, the mover being Bro. Mulligan, and seconded by Bro. Goodwin.

### C. M. B. A. CONCERT IN LINDSAY.

An interesting time was spent on Thursday evening, Feb. 2nd, at the C. M. B. A. rooms, the occasion being an official visit from Mr. W. P. Killackey, of Windsor, Provincial Organizer for the C. M. B. A. The attendance was fairly good, and would have been larger had the weather been favorable. Previous to the lecture by Mr. Killackey a short entertainment was given, which consisted of an instrumental and song by Mr. C. Podger; a solo by Mr. Jas. Gillogly; a reading by Mr. Wm. Steers. Mr. Killackey then gave an interesting sketch of the C. M. B. A.—its aims, objects and advantages—and very clearly pictured the rapid progress it is making in Canada. The society is now in its twenty-third year, and its membership is rapidly increasing. An important benefit derived from this society is conferred by its system of insurance, which is considered one of the best plans of fraternal insurance of the present day; the fees are small and not at all burdensome to members. Since incorporation this society has paid out over a million and a-half dollars in insurance to widows and orphans of deceased members. After some remarks relative to the good work being done by this association, the speaker urged upon all who are not members the advisability of joining at an early date. At the close of the lecture a vote of thanks to the speaker was moved by Mr. W. F. O'Boyle, seconded by Mr. A. P. Devlin, and unanimously carried. Rev. Father Phalen made a few well chosen remarks, in the course of which he paid high tribute to Mr. Killackey and the society. Organizer Killackey then made a happy but brief reply, thanking the members and congratulating them on the good standing of Lindsay branch, and also made mention of their splendid association rooms. After the lecture about a dozen gentlemen presented themselves for membership. Thus a pleasant evening was brought to a close. Mr. Killackey left town the following morning for Belleville.

### C. M. B. A. ENTERTAINMENT.

Address Delivered By W. P. Killackey, Provincial Organizer.

The Hamilton branches of the Catholic Mutual Benefit Association held an entertainment in Association hall on March 7th, the hall being crowded. C. J. Bird, master of ceremonies and chairman of the Advisory Board, delivered a short address of welcome to those present, his remarks being very appropriate.

Bro. John Ronan, Grand Deputy, occupied the chair and delivered a brief address, pointing out to those present the substantial benefit the Society had been in the city.

The numbers were well rendered. Miss M. Lovering made her first appearance in public, singing "Because I love You Dear" in a very pretty manner. Miss M. J. Hunt received well-merited applause for her recitations, "Our Folks" and "Six Love Letters". Miss Hunt has a manner of expression and delivery which makes her recitals delightful and popular. The songs, "Darling I love You in the same Old Way," "She Was Bred in Old Kentucky," and "On the Banks

of the Wabash," by Mr. F. A. Filgiano, were well sung, the latter song being given in response to an encore.

During the evening Mr. W. P. Killackey, of Windsor, gave an address. He spoke at some length on the order, its good work, the aims of its members, and the various good principles involved. At the close of his address Mr. Killackey was given a vote of thanks on motion of M. J. O'Reilly and James Blake.

The programme in detail was as follows: Solo, Mr. M. O'Brien; solo, Miss M. Lovering; recitation, Miss M. J. Hunt; solo, Mr. J. Lawlor; solo, Mr. F. A. Filgiano; solo, Mrs. Irwin; recitation, Miss M. J. Hunt; solo, Mr. W. Tomes. The accompanist was Mr. J. F. Morrissey, and the committee in charge Messrs T. Lawlor, J. P. Dougherty and J. Blake.

Rev. Fathers O'Reilly and Hinchey, and Chancellor Craven and others occupied seats on the platform.

The affair was highly successful and most enjoyable.

Hamilton will long remember the first official visit of the Provincial Organizer. The words spoken by Mr. Killackey made a deep impression on the audience, and the Branches will be well rewarded for the work they have undertaken by seeing a rapid increase of membership in their ranks in this city.

### C. M. B. A. BROTHERS SUCCESSFUL.

The Provincial elections in New Brunswick took place on the 18th of February. The coalition government, as led by the Hon. H. R. Emmerson, was victorious, having elected 41 out of a total of 46. There were ten Catholics elected, among whom a few C. M. B. A. brothers. P. H. Leger, Recording Secretary of Branch 230, Grand Digue, Kent Co., has the honor of having the largest majority in the Province, outside of York Co., having 1,185 votes over his highest opponent. C. M. Melanson, Chancellor of the Shediac Branch, is also elected in Westmorland. Hon. A. D. Richard, of the Dorchester Branch, in the same county, was only beaten by 100 votes out of nearly 8,000 polled. P. J. Zenlot, of Bathurst, Gloucester Co., was elected by acclamation.

### CHATHAM, N. B.

The C. M. B. A. ball came off Wednesday evening, Feb. 15, and was a great success in every way. At dark the snow began to fall, but early in the evening the dressing rooms at Masonic hall began to fill with ladies and gentlemen who were not to be cheated out of a night's pleasure by a little snow; by 9 o'clock there was hardly room to move in the rooms, and when the time for the grand march arrived the hall was filled with a gay and expectant throng. Probably those who stood on the stage never witnessed so brilliant a scene before as that presented by the moving mass of tastefully dressed people before them. The interior of the hall was almost unrecognizable; the walls had been completely covered with red and white bunting; the windows were covered with richly toned drapery; steel engravings of uniform size hung between each window; over the entrance the word welcome had been cleverly formed of green twigs on a white ground, and over the stage front the letters C. M. B. A. were placed with a banner draped between. The stage was furnished as an elegant drawing room for the use of

chaperones and those who did not dance much, and the orchestra of five pieces, under the leadership of Mr. Walter White, occupied seats at the front of the stage.

The grand march was led by Mr. Wm. Connors, President of the Chatham branch of the C. M. B. A., and Mrs. L. J. Tweedle. I can't begin to give you a full list of dresses, but a few of the most noticeable may not be amiss.

Mrs. Wm. Connors wore a handsome gown of black silk, square cut bodice, black lace and cardinal flowers.

Mrs. Roger Flanagan, black grenadine over black silk, black chiffon trimmings and cream roses.

Mrs. Gouhy, of Sherbrooke, yellow silk with embroidered chiffon trimmings.

Mrs. Alexander Burns, in a dress of pink cashmere and white chiffon, was as fresh and graceful.

Mrs. Walter White, blue and white striped silk.

Mrs. L. J. Tweedle, black silk skirt, green waist with cream silk collar and vest, cream roses.

Mrs. Ella Russell, black chiffon, cream roses.

Mrs. Robert Anderson, black satin, pale tau trimmings.

Mrs. Armstrong, Newcastle, cerise silk.

Mrs. R. A. Murdoch, pale blue satin.

Mrs. Josie Noonan, pale blue satin, jeweled passmontrie trimmings, square bodice.

Mrs. K. I. McLean, white satin, square cut bodice trimmed with white chiffon and pink roses.

Miss Katie Allen, heliotropo and white brocade, fur trimmings.

Miss Conway, black and white brocade, cardinal trimmings.

Miss Knight, black grenadine over cardinal.

Mrs. Bowser, white organdie muslin.

Mrs. Peter Archer, nile green silk.

Miss Cassidy, figured cream silk.

Miss Louise Stewart, cream silk, square cut bodice, jeweled chiffon and ribbon trimmings and pink flowers.

Miss Aggie Harrington, white dotted muslin.

Miss Lizzie Harrington, pale blue cashmere.

There were a number of debutants who looked dainty and happy in their pretty white gowns; the Misses Hickley, Miss Annie Flanagan, Miss Lizzie Harrington and Miss Cassidy were among them.

Miss Josie Noonan carried off the honors of belle and fully deserved it.

The supper was everything desirable and was enjoyed by over three hundred. The committee in charge of the arrangements deserve the greatest praise for their untiring efforts for the comfort and pleasure of their guests.

At midnight the snow ploughs came out and cleared the streets for the ball people, an attention that was very much appreciated.

Fire broke out in the Adam's House about 11 o'clock, and those interested left the ball room, but the crowd was so great they were hardly missed. The fire was uncontrollable and the fine hotel was reduced to ashes before morning. Great sympathy is felt for Mr. Tom Flanagan, whose loss will be very heavy.

Mr. and Mrs. Gauchy, of Sherbrooke, Quebec, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roger Flanagan.

Mrs. Jane Murray, widow of the late Robert Murray, passed away Thursday morning. Mrs. Murray has been in failing health for some time. She will

be greatly missed by her family and friends, as she was an affectionate mother and an unselfish friend.

Several people who came from Newcastle and other places lost their wraps, etc., in the Adam's House fire, having dressed for the ball there.—St. John (N. B.) Progress.

RESOLUTION OF REGRET.

Guelph, March 11, 1891.

Samuel R. Brown, Editor.

Dear Sir and Brother—At the last regular meeting of our Lady's Branch, No. 31, held Feb. 27th, the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Moved by Bro. S. A. Heffernan, seconded by Bro. Jas. Kennedy,

Whereas Brother No. 31 having heard that Bro. Jas. McAstocker has left the city of Guelph, to take up his residence in Nelson, British Columbia, and

Whereas Bro. Jas. McAstocker has been a good, active member of this branch for a number of years,

Resolved that Branch 31 place on record its regret at Bro. McAstocker's removal from our good city and its hope that he will enjoy prosperity and happiness in his new home.

Resolved that a copy of this resolution be sent to Bro. McAstocker, a copy be spread on the minutes of the meeting, and a copy be sent to THE CANADIAN for publication.

APPEALS.

From Branch No. 13.

Branch No. 13, Stratford, Ont., acknowledges receipt of the following amounts in answer to the Hoy appeal:

Table listing branch numbers and amounts: Br. No. 41 Brockville, Ont. 2.00; 131 St. John, N. B. 1.00; 147 Portage du Fort, Que. 1.00; 125 Calgary, N. W. T. 2.00; 7 Sarula, Ont. 2.00; 241 Mandulak, Que. 1.00; 23 Seaford, Ont. 2.00; 27 St. Alexandre, Que. 1.00; 101 Three Rivers, Que. 2.00; 245 Kemptville, Ont. 1.00; 123 Belle River, Ont. 1.00; 243 St. Joachim, Ont. 1.00; 157 Dorchester, N. B. 2.50; 251 Stoney Point, Ont. 1.00; 82 Kingsbridge, Ont. 1.00; 36 Montreal, Que. 2.00; 215 New Glasgow, N. S. 1.00; 13 Mount Forest, Ont. 1.00; 279 Lourdes, N. S. 1.00; 214 Alberton, P. E. I. 1.00; 138 St. Vincent de Paul, Que. 1.00; 231 Plantagenet, Ont. 1.00; 231 Tignish, P. E. I. 1.00; 210 St. David de L'Aubertiviere, Que. 5.00; 219 Joggins Mines, N. S. 1.00; 51 Picton, Ont. 1.00; 19 Ingersoll, Ont. 1.00; 216 Charlottetown, P. E. I. 1.00; 52 Wainfleet, Que. 2.00; 217 Fraserville, Que. 1.00; 221 Murray Bay, Que. 1.00; 70 East Publico, N. S. 1.00; 96 Lewis, Que. 1.00; 117 Joliette, Que. 2.00; 50 Montreal, Que. 1.00; 75 Penetanguishene, Ont. 2.00; 134 St. John, N. B. 5.00; 215 Dartmouth, N. S. 1.00; 27 Lindsay, Ont. 1.00; 121 Hiddulph, Ont. 1.00; 253 Picton, N. S. 1.00; 100 Baden, Ont. 1.00; 152 Moncton, N. B. 1.00; 189 Brechin, Ont. 1.00; 102 Yarmouth, N. S. 1.00; 102 Richmond, Que. 2.00; 17 Brantford, Ont. 1.00; 75 Kentwood, Ont. 1.00; 27 Fort William, Ont. 1.00; 217 L'Assomption, Que. 1.00; Total 57.20

Brother Hoy is dead, and the beneficiary has been paid.

From Branch No. 7.

Sarula, March 15, 1891.

Samuel R. Brown, Esq.

Dear Sir and Brother—Branch 7, Sarula, Ont., begs to acknowledge the following amount on behalf of appeal for Bro. J. W. Jones:

Table listing branch number and amount: Br. No. 53 St. Agathe, Ont. 1.00

Table listing previously acknowledged amounts: Previously acknowledged 131.70; Total 215.70

Yours fraternally, M. L. Sawyier, Rec Sec Br. 7.

From Branch No. 248

Samuel R. Brown, Grand Secretary, London, Ont.

Dear Sir and Brother—Please publish in next issue of THE CANADIAN this second list of branches contributing to the McKeaton appeal. Thanking kindly all branches for their contributions.

Fraternally yours, Wm. L. McKeaton, Rec Sec Br. 248

Table listing branch numbers and amounts: Br. No. 11 Three Rivers, Que. 2.00; 115 Lewis, Que. 2.00; 104 Moncton, N. B. 1.00; 104 Kennebunk, P. E. I. 1.00; 210 Kennebunk, P. E. I. 1.00; 104 Calgary, N. W. T. 2.00; 102 Lettbridge, N. W. T. 2.00; 104 Brockville, Ont. 1.00; 104 Quebec, Que. 1.00; 104 Hespeler, Ont. 1.00; 215 Kemptville, Ont. 1.00; 215 Stoney Point, Ont. 1.00; 215 Charlottetown, P. E. I. 1.00; 104 Montreal, Que. 1.00; 215 Tracadie, N. B. 1.00; 104 Joliette, Que. 1.00; 104 Somerset, Man. 1.00; 104 Gouanque, Ont. 1.00; 215 Fraserville, Que. 1.00; 215 St. David de L'Aubertiviere, Que. 1.00; 215 Lourdes, N. S. 1.00; 104 Penetanguishene, Ont. 1.00; 104 St. Joseph, N. B. 1.00; 104 Hiddulph, Ont. 1.00; 104 Brechin, Ont. 1.00; 104 Yarmouth, N. S. 1.00; 215 Picton, N. S. 1.00; 215 Brantford, Ont. 1.00; I. P. Lasey, rolled gold pin. 1.00; Total 57.20

From Branch No. 178.

The following additional branches have responded to the Landry appeal:

Table listing branch numbers and amounts: Br. No. 41 St. David de Grantham, Que. 1.00; 43 Brockville, Ont. 1.00; 131 St. John, N. B. 1.00; 104 Montreal, Que. 1.00; 104 Trout Creek, Ont. 1.00; 217 L'Assomption, Que. 1.00; Amount previously acknowledged 10.22; Total 21.22

From Branch No. 203

Canis, N. S., January 23, 1891.

To the Grand Council of the C. M. B. A. of Canada:

Brothers,—This Branch feels it to be its duty to lay before you the case of Brother Dennis McNeary, jr, in the hope that you may allow an appeal to be made on his behalf to the Association at large. We have, during the five and a half years of our existence responded to every appeal made to us, and have never issued an appeal ourselves.

About eighteen months ago Brother McNeary met with a railway accident, in which he almost lost his life. Since that time one of his arms has been totally paralyzed, and he has no hope of ever recovering the use of it. In consequence of this, he has been deprived of his usual means of earning a living, and, in fact, has earned nothing since the accident occurred. At first sight his case may not appear as serious as a total disablement, but it is practically so. Many of us find it quite hard to earn a living while having the use of our two hands. The only occupations which Brother McNeary followed were fishing and carpenter work, in both of which the use of the two arms is necessary. No doubt there are many ways in which a one-armed man could earn a living, but none of them has been open to Brother McNeary. He has no capital whatever to start with. This Branch has paid his arrears of dues, but he is unable to pay his dues, and he is now being held a suspended member. We can do nothing for him. But we can do something, if we were permitted to ap

peal to the Association, we could collect such a sum as would enable him to begin some little business.

Helping you will see fit to allow our appeal.

We remain, fraternally yours, E. H. CASINHAM, President Br. 203.

REV. D. V. PHAIB, Recording Secretary and Spiritual Adviser

London, Ont., March 16, 1891.

REV. D. V. PHAIB, Rec Sec Br. 203, C. M. B. A., Canis, N. S.

Dear Sir and Brother—The appeal of your Branch in behalf of Bro Dennis McNeary has been allowed by the Grand President and Board of Trustees. Yours fraternally, S. R. Brown, Grand Sec.

NEW BRANCHES.

Branch No. 101 was instituted at L'Anclenne Lorette, Que., on March 22nd, by Grand Organizer J. E. H. Howison, under the presidency of Grand Deputy D. M. Fisot, who was instrumental in the organization of the new branch which he had been working up for some time past.

L'Anclenne Lorette is but nine miles distant from the city of Quebec, and for the occasion several members from the city drove to witness the ceremonies of the institution of the new branch and the installation of its first officers. Among those present, besides the Grand Organizer, and Grand Deputy Fisot, were also Grand Deputy Dr. Alno Lantier, President of Branch 215, Brother E. Z. Marois, President of Branch 110, and Brothers Thomas Gagnon, N. Lachance, jr, and J. O. Fisot, also of Branch 110.

The field is said to be a good one and it is expected that now that the C. M. B. A. is implanted in the parish the new branch will number fifty members before the year is over.

The following is the list of officers:

- Spiritual Adviser, Rev. Jos. Oct. Faucher; President, Pierre Paul Fisot; First Vice-President, Patrice Urlic Pageot; Second Vice President, Alfred Boteau; Recording Secretary, Henri Theophile Pageot, N. 1.; Assistant Recording Secretary, Alfred Fisot; Financial Secretary, H. T. Pageot, N. P.; Treasurer, Ouz'emo Gavin; Marshal, Napoleon Fisot; Guard, Jean Beaumont; Trustees, Louis Tressil Martel, F. F. Pageot, Hector Melsau, Napoleon Fisot and Jean Beaumont.

Branch No. 205 was instituted at Quebec, Que., on March 21st by Grand Organizer J. E. H. Howison, under the presidency of Grand Deputy P. Kerwin, of Branch 105. A general meeting of the members in the city of Quebec had been called by Brother Howison, and Grand President Hackett was to address the members, but owing to stormy weather he could not reach the city. The meeting was held, however, in Tara Hall, and the institution of the new branch and installation of its first officers proceeded with. Among those present and who addressed the meeting were Grand Deputy P. Kerwin, Grand Deputy D. M. Fisot, Rev. D. V. Phai, Rec Sec Br. 203, E. H. Casinham, President of Br. 203, and Rev. D. V. Phai, Rec Sec Br. 203, of the new branch. The meeting was very popular.





DIRECTORY OF BRANCHES AND SECRETARIES.

Intendant des Succursales et Secrétaires.

Table with columns: No. and Location, Recording Secretary, Financial Secretary, Meetings, No. and Location, Recording Secretary, Financial Secretary, Meetings. Lists various branches across Canada with their respective secretaries and meeting schedules.



DIRECTORY OF BRANCHES AND SECRETARIES.—Continued.

(Indicateur des Succursales et Secrétaires)—Continué.

Table with columns: No. and Location, Recording Secretary, Financial Secretary, Meetings, No. of the Succursale, No. des Cotisations, Fonds des Cotisations, de Réserve, de la Succursale, No. des Cotisations, Fonds des Cotisations, de Réserve, de la Succursale. Lists various branches and their details.

Statement of Assessments Received in March, 1899.

Etat des Cotisations Recues Durant le Mois de Mars.

Table with columns: Branch No., Assessment No., Branch No., No. des Cotisations, Fonds des Cotisations, de Réserve, de la Succursale, No. des Cotisations, Fonds des Cotisations, de Réserve, de la Succursale. Summary of assessment data for various branches.

NOTE—(1) Alternate—Alternativement; (2) First and Third—Premier et Troisième; (3) Second and Fourth—Deuxième et Quatrième; (4) First and Second—Premier et Deuxième; (5) First and Fourth—Premier et Quatrième; (6) First, Second and Fourth—Premier, Deuxième et Quatrième; (7) Every Second—Chaque deuxième; (8) Second—Deuxième; (9) Second and Last—Deuxième et Dernier; (10) Third—Troisième; (11) Fourth—Quatrième; (12) First—Premier; (13) Second and Third—Deuxième et Troisième.

Do not keep company with any sin. It may surprise thee as an enemy, some times, but let it not lodge with thee as a friend.— Archibald Leighton. The Scots have a pretty saying that when the sun shines through fall, rain, it is a sign that the "Fairies are Baking."

Strive to live in a perpetual readiness to die, and this you will attain if you learn to love Our Lord's presence now. Life is very short, and the world to come always dawns upon us. Choose boldly a life devoted to Christ. Be His above all, be His only.

N. B.—All branches not appearing on the foregoing statement as having paid No. 2 Assessment, with the exception of Branches 13, 32, 51, 72, 157, 165, 249, 267, 289, and 298 are on this date (April 1st, 1899) in arrears or under suspension. Paid branches paid No. 2 in February. N. B.—Les succursales qui n'apparaissent pas dans l'état ci-dessus comme ayant payé la Cotisation No. 2, à l'exception des Succursales Nos. 13, 32, 51, 72, 157, 165, 249, 267, 289, et 298 sont cette date (1 Avril, 1899) arriérées ou en suspens. Les Succursales payé la Cotisation No. 2 en Février.

ASSESSMENT SYSTEM—SYSTEME DE COTISATION.

April Assessment, 1899. / No. 5.  
Cotisation du mois de Avril.

Deaths / Nos. 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30 & 31.  
Décès

The Grand Council of the C.M.B.A. of Canada.

Le Grand Conseil de l'A. C. B. M. du Canada.

SECRETARY'S OFFICE,

BUREAU DU SECRETAIRE.

London, Ont., April 1, 1899.

London, Ont., 1 Avril, 1899.

Dear Sir and Brothers—You are hereby officially notified of the status of the following named brothers:

Cher Monsieur et Frères—Vous êtes, par le présent officiellement notifiés du décès des frères ci-après nommés:

NO.	NAME.	BRANCH.	LOCATION.	ADMITTED.	DIED.	CAUSE OF DEATH.
NO.	NOM.	BRANCHE.	SIÈGE.	ADMIS.	DECÉDÉS.	CAUSE DU DÉCÈS.
21	Thomas Boucher	7	Sarnia, Ont.	200 Feb. 25, '99	Jan. 25, '99	14 Blood poisoning
22	Patrick M. James	14	St. John, N. B.	190 Nov. 1, '92	Feb. 3, '99	29 Typhoid fever
23	Francis Oudban	3	Quebeph, Ont.	200 Mar. 18, '94	Mar. 1, '99	39 Accid'l drowning
24	Joseph Bourie	71	Frenton, Ont.	190 June 15, '90	" "	3 Cardiac sycops
25	Patrick Fowler	9	Kingston, Ont.	190 Nov. 2, '98	" "	13 Heart failure
26	Jos. B. H. Audry	191	Valcourt, Que.	190 May 3, '98	" "	14 Phthisis Pulmon.
27	Morton B. Hughes	2	Ottawa, Ont.	190 Nov. 17, '97	" "	15 Bursting B. vessel
28	Wm. Delanuity	8	Chatham, Ont.	200 Aug. 10, '93	" "	18 Pneumonia
29	Hildag. Mercer	11	Montreal, Que.	190 Apr. 1, '93	" "	18 Cong. of the lungs
30	Geo. N. Schmidt	6	Demeriton, Ont.	200 June 15, '97	" "	21 Consumption
31	Edward T. Hoyt	3	Amherstburg, Ont.	200 June 3, '91	" "	25 Pneumonia.

Death Nos. 21 & 22 not in regular order, proofs not having been received in time.  
Décès Nos. 21 & 22 ne sont pas rapportés dans l'ordre régulier, la preuve n'ayant pas été reçue en temps.

Statement of the Beneficiary and Reserve Funds for March, 1899.

Compte-rendu du Fonds des Bénéfices et du Fonds de Réserve pour le mois de Mars, 1899.

BENEFICIARY FUND. / FONDS DES BÉNÉFICES.

Amount on hand March 1st, / Montant en caisse le 1er Mars,	1899	\$	1,769	22
Received during March from / Reçu durant le mois de Mars	No. 14 Assessment of 1898	151	91	
	No. 15	122	12	
	No. 1	1,087	26	
	No. 2	9,064	45	
	Nos. 3 & 4	339	56	

1899.	CR.		\$	
Mar. 22. Benefits paid on account of / Bénéfices payés à compte de	John Folk, Order 711.....		2,000	00
" do	E. J. O'Reilly, " 718.....		2,000	00
" do	Wm. Gendron, " 719.....		2,000	00
" do	W. J. McRener, " 721.....		2,000	00
" do	L. Palsance, " 723.....		1,000	00
" do	P. Drouhard, " 724.....		1,000	00
" do	F. Gauthier, " 725.....		2,000	00
" do	P. M. James, " 731.....		1,000	00
April 1st, 1899, Balance.....			117	25
			\$13,167	25

Total amount of Beneficiary Fund collected since 1st January, 1898, to date..... / Montant total du Fonds des Bénéfices collecté depuis le 1er Janv., 1898, à cette date } \$36,411 82

Total amount paid to the Beneficiaries of deceased members to date..... / Montant total payé aux Bénéficiaires des membres décédés à cette date..... } \$40,007 57

RESERVE FUND—FONDS DE RESERVE.

Amount on hand March 1st, / Montant en caisse le 1er Mars,	1898	\$	86,519	52
Amount accrued since last report / Montant accru depuis le dernier rapport			29	04
Total.....		\$	86,548	57

SAM. R. BROWN, Grand Secretary.

To the Members of the C.M.B.A. of Canada—

Aux Membres de l'A. C. B. M. du Canada—

Brothers—The foregoing statement of Assessment No. 5 (April Assessment) is given in compliance with Sections 7 & 8 of Beneficiary Fund Law; the regular monthly assessments is given in our Constitution. You must pay this Assessment to the Financial Secretary of your Branch on or before the third day of May, 1899. Branch Treasurers must remit to me the amount of this Assessment, accompanied with Monthly Assessment Report, on or before the 9th day of May, 1899. Members, and especially members of branches, are requested to carefully read Sections 1, 8, 9, 10 and 11 of our Constitution in order to become acquainted with the regulations regarding Assessments.

Frères—L'état précédent de la Cotisation No. 5 (Cotisation du mois de Avril) est donné en conformité des Clauses 7ème et 8ème de notre loi concernant le Fonds des Bénéfices; l'avis légal de ces cotisations mensuelles régulières est donné dans notre Constitution. Vous devez payer cette cotisation au Secrétaire Financier de votre Succursale le ou avant le 3ème jour de Mai, 1899. Les Trésoriers des Succursales doivent me faire remise du montant de cette cotisation, accompagné du Rapport de la Cotisation Mensuelle, le ou avant le 9ème jour de Mai, 1899. Les membres, et plus particulièrement les officiers des succursales, sont priés de lire attentivement les Clauses 1, 8, 9, 10 et 11 de notre Constitution afin de bien connaître les règlements concernant les cotisations.

Yours fraternally,  
SAM R. BROWN Grand Sec.

Fraternellement à vous,  
SAM. R. BROWN. Grand Sec.

LE CANADIEN

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Les membres sont invités à nous envoyer des nouvelles ou informations dont l'Association pourra bénéficier. Toutes communications sur des sujets d'intérêt pour les membres de l'A. C. B. M. seront reçues avec plaisir, mais toutes lettres anonymes et toutes autres lettres que le gerant jugera ne pas être dans l'intérêt de l'Association ne seront pas publiées.

Les correspondants voudront bien se rappeler que la copie doit nous parvenir pas plus tard que le 15 du mois, pour être publiée dans le numéro du mois suivant. L'espace étant limité, on voudra bien être concis. Adressez toutes communications à

B. R. BROWN,  
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LONDON, AVRIL, 1899.

PROCLAMATION.

La Constitution Révisée.

Aux Membres du Grand Conseil de l'Association Catholique de Bienfaisance Mutuelle du Canada.

Frères—En vertu des pouvoirs dont je suis revêtu de par la Constitution et les Lois de cette Association, Je déclare, par les présentes, la Constitution et les Règlements de ce Grand Conseil, tels que révisés par le Comité nommé à cette fin lors de notre dernière Convention régulière, tenue à Québec P. Q. les 23, 24, et 25 du mois d'Août, 1898, et tels que maintenant imprimés et dans les mains de notre Grand Secrétaire pour distribution, être la Constitution et les Règlements gouvernant ce Grand Conseil et toutes ses Succursales et tous les membres à compter du vingt troisième jour de Mars, 1899, jusqu'à ce qu'ils soient amendés de nouveau

Fraternellement à vous,  
M. F. HACKETT,  
Grand Président,  
A. C. B. M. du Canada.  
Stanstead, P. Q., le 23 Mars, 1899.

DEVOIR PASCAL.

La première chose requise d'un aspirant à l'admission dans l'A. C. B. M. est la preuve qu'il est Catholique pratiquant. Quelque bon risque qu'un aspirant puisse être physiquement, s'il n'est pas en position de démontrer qu'il est Catholique pratiquant, il est empêché de devenir membre de cette Association.

Le fait d'être un Catholique pratiquant quand quelqu'un devient membre de l'A. C. B. M. n'est pas, cependant, suffisant. Pour conserver son droit de membre et participer au Fonds des bénéfices, un membre ne doit pas cesser d'être Catholique pratiquant. C'est notre engagement fondamental. Qu'aucun membre de l'A. C. B. M. ne se trompe lui-même. C'est une des conditions, et la principale, d'après lesquelles une police ou certificat de participation aux bénéfices est délivré à chaque membre.

Quelques uns de nos membres qui, malheureusement, ont négligé cette condition importante pour conserver leur droit de membres, s'efforcent de se consoler en disant: "Bah! l'Association ne peut m'expulser sans la preuve que je ne suis pas un Catholique pratiquant, et celle-ci serait difficile à faire." Pas si difficile maintenant, mon ami.

A la dernière Convention le paragraphe 50 de la Clause 210 de notre Constitution a été entièrement effacé, et la clause 31 est maintenant notre seule loi concernant l'affaire. Cette Clause dit: "Toutes questions se rattachant aux qualités spirituelles des membres ou des aspirants à l'admission dans une Succursale, seront décidées par leurs Pasteurs respectifs, sauf, cependant, à en appeler à l'Evêque du diocèse dans lequel se trouve la Succursale. Et aucun, que son curé et l'Evêque refuseront de reconnaître comme Catholique pratiquant, ne pourra être admis ou retenu dans cette Association. Cette clause ne sera jamais changée ou modifiée."

Maintenant, frères, qu'il ne soit pas dit après le temps Pascal cette année que nous avons même un seul membre dans une succursale de l'A. C. B. M. du Canada, qui n'a pas rempli son Devoir Pascal.

PAIEMENT DES COTISATIONS.

Les membres devraient payer les cotisations promptement. Le prompt paiement des cotisations garantit le membre contre la suspension et l'assurance que ses droits aux bénéfices ne sont pas en danger. Les hommes assurent leur vie pour le bien-être d'un ou plusieurs en qui ils sont personnellement intéressés, dans l'intention de pouvoir certaines ressources pour ceux sur qui ils ont concentré tant d'intérêt et avec la connaissance que certaines conditions doivent être remplies pour assurer le bénéfice. L'une de ces conditions est le paiement des cotisations.

Notre Association a des lois gouvernant ses membre et ceux qui ont fait ces lois ont cherché à les faire aussi équitables que possible. Dans la loi qui régit les cotisations se trouve une disposition accordant un certain nombre de jours de grâce. Nos cotisations sont demandées le premier jour de chaque mois et sont dues ce jour là, mais nos membres ont, comme jours de grâce, jusqu'au 3ème jour du mois suivant. C'est ici que tant de nos membres commettent une erreur. Ils prennent pour donné que les cotisations sont dues à la date que le temps pour les payer expire n'en est pas ainsi: elles sont dues le premier jour du mois ou le jour qu'elles sont demandées; pour quel alors attendre que les jours de grâce expirent avant de les payer?

Frères, payez vos cotisations promptement et donnez ainsi au Secrétaire Financier et au Trésorier de votre succursale amplement le temps de prépar-

One of the spiritual aims suitable for Lent, is prayer for the conversion of non-Catholics.

Some things are better than others, but as a general thing man wants the others.—Boston Courier.

In a beautiful piece of mosaic, each tiniest stone has its necessary place. If it should be left out, the perfection of design and coloring would be marred by just so much. So the tiniest things in life will mar the character if they are not what they ought to be.

or leurs rapports pour faire promptement remis au Grand Secrétaire et par là refaire le trésor dans lequel nos bénéficiaires retirent leur argent. N'oubliez pas que votre tour viendra et que ceux en faveur de qui votre police dans l'A. C. B. M. se trouve, s'attendent, nul doute, à un prompt paiement. Pourquoi alors ne pas appliquer la règle— "Faites aux autres, etc."

**CERTIFICATS DE NAISSANCE.**

La Clause 115<sup>eme</sup> de notre constitution dit :—

"Les succursales exigent de l'aspirant dans tous les cas une déclaration conforme à la loi, au sujet de son âge ou la production d'un certificat de naissance et cette déclaration ou ce certificat de naissance sera envoyé au Grand Secrétaire par le Secrétaire Archiviste de la succursale, avec la demande d'admission, lorsque l'aspirant sera initié."

Plusieurs de nos succursales semblent ne payer aucune attention à ce règlement très important de notre association ; et cette négligence est cause qu'un grand nombre de membres ne reçoivent pas de polices, et peut causer beaucoup de trouble à l'avenir. Nous ne pouvons comprendre pourquoi les officiers d'aucune succursale violeraient notre constitution en permettant qu'un aspirant, qui n'a pas fourni cette preuve d'âge, soit ballotté et initié. Ils n'ont pas plus le droit de violer cette clause que toute autre clause de la constitution.

**NOTES.**

Les officiers des succursales voudront bien se rappeler que la taxe per capita, la taxe d'initiation et l'honoraire du Médecin Examineur en Chef pour le trimestre finissant le 30 Mars, 1899, sont passés dûs, et qu'ils devraient être payés sans plus tarder. Voyez les clauses 60<sup>eme</sup>, 147<sup>eme</sup> et 176<sup>eme</sup> de la constitution.

Les succursales seront, dans tous les cas, tenues responsables de l'honoraire du Médecin Examineur en Chef. Que l'aspirant soit approuvé ou rejeté la succursale à laquelle son application a été faite est tenue responsable de l'honoraire du Médecin en Chef ; en conséquence les officiers de la succursale, afin de protéger son Fonds Général, devraient voir que cet honoraire soit payé par l'aspirant lorsqu'il fait sa demande d'admission. Voir la dernière phrase de la clause 147 de la constitution.

Il nous fait plaisir d'apprendre que depuis le 27 Février notre digne frère, P. J. Montreuil, a la gérance de l'importante maison, "La Cite de Brasserie de Beauport," ayant ses quartiers généraux dans la Cité de Québec. Nous croyons que les Directeurs de la compagnie ne pourraient faire un choix plus judicieux. Notre frère est digne sous tous rapports de la confiance placée en lui. Son habileté, sa longue expérience dans ce commerce et ses nom-

breuses relations par tout le pays auront éventuellement pour effet d'augmenter les affaires de la compagnie. Nous souhaitons à Frère Montreuil tout le succès possible.

**NOUVELLES SUCCURSALES.**

La Succursale No. 401 a été instituée à l'Anclienne Lorette, P. Q., le 22 Mars, par le Grand Organisateur J. E. H. Howison, sous la présidence du Grand Délégué Dr. Michel Fiset, qui a été l'instigateur dans la formation de cette nouvelle succursale à laquelle il travaillait depuis quelque temps passé.

L'Anclienne Lorette n'est qu'à neuf milles de distance de la cité de Québec, et pour l'occasion plusieurs membres de la ville s'y rendirent en voitures pour être témoins des cérémonies de l'installation de la nouvelle succursale et de l'installation de ses premiers officiers. Parmi ceux présents, en outre du Grand Organisateur et du Grand Délégué Fiset, se trouvaient aussi le Grand Délégué Dr. Aimé Lantier, président de la Succursale No. 238, frère Elzéar Marois, président de la Succursale No. 110, et les frères Thomas Gagnon, N. Lachance, Jr. et J. O. Fiset, aussi de la Succursale No. 110.

On dit que le champ est bon et on s'attend que, maintenant que l'A. C. B. M. est implantée dans la paroisse, la nouvelle succursale comptera cinquante membres avant la fin de l'année.

La Succursale No. 305 a été instituée à Québec, P. Q., le 24 Mars, par le Grand Organisateur J. E. H. Howison, sous la présidence du Grand Délégué P. Kerwin, de la Succursale No. 103.

Frère Howison avait appelé tous les membres de la cité de Québec en assemblée générale et l'Hon. M. Hackett, devait adresser la parole mais à cause du mauvais temps le Grand Président ne put se rendre à Québec. L'assemblée eut lieu, cependant, au Tara Hall, où l'on procéda à l'installation de la nouvelle succursale et à l'installation de ses premiers officiers. Parmi ceux présents et qui adressèrent la parole à cette assemblée, il y avait les Grands Délégués P. Kerwin Suc. 103, Dr. Michel Fiset Suc. 110 et Dr. Aimé Lantier Suc. 238 les frères Dr. W. A. Verge Suc. 97, Dr. E. A. LeBel, G. Grenier, Suc. 238, J. E. Philibert Suc. 97 le Président élu de la nouvelle succursale, notre populaire frère P. J. Montreuil et le 1er Vice-Président Georges Bellerive. La nouvelle succursale établie deux jours auparavant à l'Anclienne Lorette était aussi représentée par les frères P. U. Pageot, 1er Vice-Président, et le notaire H. T. Pageot, Secrétaire Archiviste.

Une résolution de condoléances au Grand Délégué Chs. A. Parent, de la Succursale No. 97, à l'occasion de la mort récente de son épouse bien aimée, fut proposée et secondée par des représentants de chaque succursale, et adoptée, tous les membres se tenant debout.

Avant de clore l'assemblée frère Howison remercia ceux présents d'avoir répondu à son appel, et se fit l'écho du Grand Président pour exprimer les regrets de l'Hon. M. Hackett d'être forcément absent de l'assemblée. Frère Howison fit aussi des remarques appropriées dans les intérêts de l'A. C. B. M., et exprima l'espoir qu'il aurait une autre opportunité, à une date prochaine, de faire rencontrer les membres avec le Grand Président de l'Association.

La liste des officiers de ces deux succursales paraît dans la partie Anglaise.

**NOUVELLE SUCCURSALE**

La Succursale No. 251 a été instituée le 27 Mars, à Church Point, Digby Co., N. S., par le Grand Délégué le Rev. Père Sullivan. Nous publions dans la partie Anglaise la liste des officiers pour l'année courante.

**RESOLUTIONS DE SYMPATHIE.**

À une assemblée qui reconstruisait la succursale No. 271, de Metroman, N. E. (Canada) il fut vuier les résolutions suivantes et unanimement adoptées.

Attendu que les membres de cette succursale ont appris avec un profond regret la grande perte de M. R. P. P. Fathier, cause par l'incendie de l'École Ste Anne, Attendu que c'est la destruction de leur arrivée à Church Point, qu'ils ont rendu l'esprit souffrant, et que par la destruction de leur maison.

Attendu que cette destruction est regrettable en arrêtant l'avancement de l'éducation par les jeunes adultes, et qu'il est ainsi pour les étudiants une période plus sérieuse que maintenant, il nous faut comprendre d'avantage l'importance de l'école.

Il est donc très agréable et très touchant les plus tendres sympathies envers les Frères R. P. Fathier dans cette perte, et que qu'ils viennent de subir ; que nous exprimons aussi notre ardent désir de voir l'établissement du collège Ste Anne et que nous encourageons les services pour les encourager cet œuvre. Il est aussi résolu que ces résolutions sont insérées dans nos minutes et qu'une copie est transmise au Très Révérend Père Blanche et publié dans le CANADIAN et "l'Évangéline".



**SOUS L'ACTE DES ASSURANCES.**

(Chapitre 14 des Statuts Révisés du Canada, tel qu'amendé.)

Ottawa, 31 Mars, 1899.

LE CERTIFICAT D'ENREGISTREMENT NO. 8 délivré au Grand Conseil de l'Association Catholique de Bienfaisance Mutuelle du Canada, l'autorisant à faire des opérations d'Assurance sur la vie sur le plan des Cotisations dans La Puissance du Canada, est par le présent renouvelé jusqu'au Trentième jour de Mars, 1900.

(Sig.) J. M. COURTNEY  
Député Ministre des Finances.

(Sig.) W. FITZGERALD,  
Surintendant des Assurances.



**DEPT. DES ASSURANCES, ONTARIO.**

NOUVEAU

CERTIFICAT D'ENREGISTREMENT COMME COMPAGNIE D'ASSURANCE.

Attendu que par l'application du Grand Conseil de l'Association Catholique de Bienfaisance Mutuelle du Canada, faite en conformité de l'Acte des Corporations d'Assurance, 1882, et des Actes l'amendant, il a été démontré au soussigné, Inspecteur des assurances pour la Province d'Ontario, que le dit appliquant a droit d'être enregistré comme une Compagnie d'Assurance.

A CES CAUSES, LE PRESENT EST POUR CERTIFIER que la dite Compagnie est en conséquence enregistrée pour faire des opérations d'Assurance sur la Vie sur le plan des Cotisations dans la Province d'Ontario, pour le terme commençant le premier jour de Mai, 1899, et finissant le trentième jour d'Avril, 1900, sujette aux dispositions des Actes plus haut nommés.

(Sig.) J. HOWARD HUNTER.

Entré sur le Registre des Licences d'Assurance No. 1064 Folio 106.

(Sig.) WILL. J. VALE,  
Commissaire d'Entrée.

**AMENDEMENTS A LA CONSTITUTION.**

Les amendements à la constitution ont été proposés par le Grand Conseil de l'Association Catholique de Bienfaisance Mutuelle du Canada, et ont été adoptés par le Grand Conseil le 14 Mars, 1899.

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CLAUSE 40. Les officiers électifs seront un Grand Président, un Premier Vice-Président, un Second Vice-Président, un Secrétaire, un Trésorier, un Commissaire-Ordonnateur, une Sentinelle, un Bureau de cinq Syndics, un Comité des Lois et de leur Règlement, composé de trois membres, et un Comité des Finances et des Frais de Route, composé de trois membres, et tous resteront en fonctions durant trois ans ou jusqu'à ce que leurs successeurs soient élus et aient accompli de les remplacer.

CLAUSE 42. Le Grand Conseil de l'Association Catholique de Bienfaisance Mutuelle du Canada aura un organe officiel qui s'appellera "The Canadian" publié mensuellement et envoyé gratis à tous les membres de l'Association, et tout mandat décret ordre ou avis qui y sera publié, émanant de l'autorité compétente, sera et est par le présent déclaré être un avis officiel devant servir les fins pour lesquelles il est donné aux officiers et membres sous sa juridiction ou à ceux qu'il peut concerner. Cet organe officiel sera et restera la propriété de l'Association et si possible ou le fera se payer lui-même en permettant d'y insérer des annonces, ces annonces seront sous le contrôle du Grand Président et du Bureau des Syndics.

CLAUSE 74. Toutes les succursales enverront tous les ans, le ou avant le quinzième jour de Janvier, au Grand Secrétaire, leur rapport annuel pour l'année précédente.

CLAUSE 75. Les succursales qui négligeront d'envoyer le rapport ci-dessus mentionné seront passibles d'une amende de \$10 00 laquelle somme sera payée, à même le Fonds Général de la succursale en défaut au Grand Secrétaire, pour le bénéfice du Fonds Général du Conseil. Si la dite amende n'est pas payée le ou avant le premier de Mars de la même année, le Grand Président suspendra la dite succursale.

CLAUSE 155. Tout membre en règle pourra se retirer de l'Association en donnant sa démission par écrit, comme suit.

LE GRAND CONSEIL DE L'ASSOCIATION CATHOLIQUE DE BIENFAISANCE MUTUELLE DU CANADA.

A..... Secrétaire de la Succursale..... No..... A. C. B. M.

Cher Monsieur et Frère : Je donne par la présente ma démission comme membre de la Succursale..... No..... du G. C. de l'A. C. B. M. du Canada, ayant son siège à..... et je résigne par la présente comme membre de la dite Association, et de plus j'abandonne la police qui m'a été donnée par la dite Association, et je renonce aux droits, privilèges et avantages que j'ai eus jusqu'ici ou que j'ai maintenant en ma qualité de membre. A vous fraternellement.

CLAUSE 155 (a). En outre de la classe de membres définie et mentionnée dans les clauses précédentes de cette Constitution, les succursales pourront avoir

DES MEMBRES SOCIAUX.

Ces membres doivent avoir moins de dix huit ans ou plus de cinquante ans, ou s'ils ont plus de dix huit ans ou moins de cinquante ans, ils doivent avoir été reçus sur leur demande régulière d'admission par le Médecin Examinateur en Chef, ou doivent payer l'honoraire d'initiation régulière de \$3 00 et les contributions mensuelles proposées par la succursale à laquelle ils appartiennent; ils n'auront pas droit de voter sur aucune question se rattachant au fonds des bénéfices ou au fonds de réserve, ni à l'élection d'un représentant aux Conventions du Grand Conseil, ou sur la demande d'admission d'un candidat aspirant sous notre système officiaire actuel, ou tout autre système bénéficiaire qui pourra être introduit par la suite. Sous tous les autres rapports ils doivent se soumettre aux règlements et à la Constitution de l'Association. Ils ne seront pas éligibles à aucune charge.

CLAUSE 157. Sept membres en règle constitueront un quorum pour la transaction des affaires, excepté dans les succursales ne comptant pas plus de vingt cinq membres, lesquelles pourront transiger les affaires avec un quorum de cinq membres. L'assemblée sera ouverte au temps prescrit par les statuts ou la résolution s'il y a un quorum, y compris un officier ayant qualité pour présider. En l'absence du Président, du premier et du second Vice-Présidents, le Chancelier le plus ancien présidera.

CLAUSE 172. Le Président présidera toutes les assemblées de la succursale, y maintiendra l'ordre et fera exécuter les lois, règles et règlements de la succursale, et ceux du Grand Conseil. Il décidera toutes les questions d'ordre (sujet à un appel à la succursale, qui sera déterminé par un vote des deux tiers), agira comme juge à toutes les élections, et en annoncera le résultat à la succursale. Il nommera tous les comités, à moins qu'il n'en soit autrement ordonné par la succursale; il signera tous les mandats tirés sur le Trésorier pour les deniers que la succursale pourra, par un vote, ordonner de payer; il n'aura pas droit de voter, sauf, au ballottage des candidats, ou comme il en est autrement prescrit ailleurs dans cette constitution; et lorsque les membres seront également divisés il aura voix prépondérante; il ouvrira et

lèvera les séances avec les formalités d'usage, il convoquera des assemblées spéciales de la succursale lorsqu'il en sera requis par cinq membres, ou de son propre chef, par écrit. Le soir de son installation, ou aussitôt que possible après, il nommera un Comité des Affaires et un Comité des Finances et chacun de ces comités sera composé de trois membres en règle, et à la première assemblée de chaque année, ou aussitôt que possible après, il nommera un Comité pour le bien de l'Association qui sera composé de cinq membres, comprenant le Directeur Spirituel pour un. Il remplira toutes autres fonctions, relevant de sa charge, qui sont prescrites par les lois, règles et règlements de l'Association.

CLAUSE 184 (a). Le Comité pour le bien de l'Association devra promouvoir les meilleurs intérêts de cette dernière localement en préparant des soirées littéraires ou musicales, en procurant pour être lus ou discutés des écrits d'intérêt pour les membres, en familiarisant les membres avec la Constitution, les Règlements, les Règles d'ordre et le cérémonial de l'Association; visiter les membres qui ne seront pas en règle ou seront en faute concernant le paiement des contributions et cotisations, et s'efforcera de toute manière d'empêcher les suspensions et expulsions, préparer et tenir un record de toutes les personnes éligibles comme membres et en faire rapport à chaque assemblée pour qu'on prenne les moyens d'induire ces personnes à joindre l'Association, et créer un plus vif intérêt dans l'Association et cultiver un meilleur sentiment fraternel parmi les membres.

CLAUSE 195. Sept votes ou bulletins valides seront nécessaires pour décider une élection, une motion ou une question devant la succursale, mais la majorité des votes valides décidera toutes élections, motions ou questions sauf celles qui auront trait aux statuts, à l'application ou à la dépense de deniers, à la destitution d'un officier, à la condamnation d'un membre à l'amende ou à sa suspension, pour la décision desquelles il faudra les deux tiers des votes valides. S'il n'y a que sept membres présents, aucune appropriation de deniers ne sera faite sans leur consentement unanime. L'officier qui présidera pourra voter sur toutes questions, quand il sera un des sept membres présents, mais dans les succursales ne comptant pas plus de vingt cinq membres le mot cinq remplacera le mot sept dans la présente clause.

N B - Partout où le mot biennale paraît dans la présente constitution lisez triennale.

TITRE VII.

CODE DE PROCÉDURE DU GRAND CONSEIL ET DES SUCCURSALES.

CLAUSE 210.

1. Le sujet d'une accusation portée contre tout membre officier, Bureau ou Succursale de ce Conseil sera appelé "Plainte."
2. La partie portant la plainte sera appelée le "Plaignant," et la partie contre laquelle la plainte est portée sera appelée "l'Accusé."
3. La plainte sera faite par écrit et signée par le plaignant. La partie essentielle de la cause devra être donnée d'une manière explicite.
4. La plainte, en duplicata, sera envoyée au Secrétaire-Archiviste de la Succursale lequel, dans un délai de trois jours, remettra à l'accusé, une copie de la dite plainte, ou la lui enverra par lettre chargée.
5. Dans tous les cas, excepté celui où l'accusé n'a pas rempli son Devoir Pascal, la somme de \$10 00 devra être déposée entre les mains du Secrétaire-Archiviste au moment où la plainte est faite. Cette somme devant être remise au plaignant si la plainte est prouvée, sinon, la dite somme, moins les déboursés du Secrétaire-Archiviste, sera payée au Grand Secrétaire et portée au Fonds Général de l'Association.
6. Sur réception de la plainte, l'accusé devra transmettre sa défense dans un délai de sept jours. Une copie en duplicata de la défense sera aussi envoyée au Secrétaire-Archiviste de la Succursale qui devra transmettre immédiatement telle copie ou duplicata au plaignant ou la lui fera parvenir par lettre chargée.
7. Si l'accusé ne transmet pas de défense dans le délai ci-haut mentionné, il admettra par le fait même qu'il est coupable de l'accusation portée contre lui, et le Secrétaire-Archiviste devra en conséquence faire rapport au Grand Président.
8. Dans un délai de trois jours après réception de la défense si elle se est faite, le Secrétaire-Archiviste devra transmettre au Grand Président par lettre chargée, la plainte et la défense en que les au Grand Président. Si certains faits sont en question le Grand Président référera tels faits à un membre de l'Association pour enquête, autrement le Grand Président, pourra donner sa décision sur les faits admis.
9. L'enquête sera tenue au temps et lieu que désignera l'arbitre. L'arbitre devra donner au plaignant et à l'accusé un avis d'au moins deux jours de l'ouverture de l'enquête.
10. Les parties devront être présentes au temps et lieu ainsi désignés et auront droit d'être représentées par un Procureur.

11. La déposition sera prise par écrit et signée par chaque partie ou témoin.
12. La déposition sera lue au témoin avant qu'il la signe et toutes corrections ou changements jugés nécessaires seront alors faits. Après que le témoin a signé, sa déposition ne pourra être changée en aucune manière.
13. L'arbitre pourra accorder un ajournement s'il le juge à propos pour l'intérêt de la justice, et non dans un but de causer simplement un retard.
14. Le plaignant et ses témoins (s'il en a), seront premièrement entendus et seront suivis par l'accusé et ses témoins (s'il en a), alors le plaignant pourra faire une contre preuve. L'arbitre pourra permettre la présentation des plaidoiries des parties intéressées.
15. L'arbitre pourra, s'il le désire employer un sténographe pour prendre les dépositions, dans ce cas, le sténographe aura à fournir une déclaration statutaire à l'effet qu'il prendra fidèlement et en entier les dépositions et les plaidoiries. Lorsqu'un sténographe sera employé les témoins ne seront pas tenus de signer leur déposition.
16. Si l'une ou l'autre des parties manque de comparaître au temps et à l'endroit spécifiés, l'arbitre devra en informer le Grand Président.
17. Après que les dépositions et les plaidoiries seront complétées, l'arbitre devra immédiatement transmettre tous les documents au Grand Président qui devra donner sa décision dans le cours d'une semaine après leur réception et il devra donner avis au Secrétaire-Archiviste, au plaignant et à l'accusé de telle décision.
18. Le Grand Président aura le pouvoir d'imposer une amende n'exédant pas \$20.00, ou la suspension pour toute période ne dépassant pas trois mois, ou il pourra suspendre la partie trouvée coupable jusqu'à ce qu'elle se soit conformée aux dispositions de la Constitution et Règlements dont elle aura été trouvée coupable de transgression.
19. Dans le cas où le Grand Président trouvera que le plaignant a formulé des accusations triviales ou malicieuses, il pourra imposer au dit plaignant une amende n'exédant pas \$20.00, ou le suspendre pour toute période ne dépassant pas deux mois, ou encore imposer l'amende et la suspension à la fois.
20. Aucun membre en défaut ne sera réinstallé avant de s'être entièrement conformé à la décision du Grand Président.
21. Chaque partie pourra en appeler au Bureau des Syndics du Grand Conseil de la décision du Grand Président, en donnant à ce dernier ainsi qu'à la partie adverse, un avis dans un délai de sept jours après que la décision en aura été rendue, et le Bureau des Syndics du Grand Conseil agira sur l'appel en question à sa prochaine assemblée.
22. Toute décision du Bureau des Syndics du Grand Conseil doit être donnée et communiquée au moins trente jours avant la Convention du Conseil, afin de donner aux parties un temps nécessaire pour préparer leur cause en appel au Conseil.
23. Avis de cet appel doit être donné à la partie adverse et au Bureau des Syndics au moins quinze jours avant la Convention du Conseil, avec les raisons à l'appui, et toutes les raisons contre cet appel doivent être également données au moins dix jours avant telle Convention.
24. Tout appel doit être accompagné d'un dépôt de dix dollars pour aider à payer les frais de tel appel.
25. Le jour où est porté l'appel pourra renverser, modifier, ou confirmer la sentence du tribunal dont appel est interjeté.
26. Aucun nouveau témoignage ne sera reçu sur aucun appel.
27. Si la décision en première instance comporte un renvoi d'office, la partie accusée devra immédiatement démissionner de sa charge, à moins que le Grand Président certifie par écrit que telle démission ne sera pas donnée pendant qu'en procès en appel.
28. Aucune partie en appel, dont la décision en est rapetée, ne pourra siéger à l'audition du dit appel.
29. Les bénéficiaires d'un membre qui mourra pendant qu'il est sous le coup de la suspension, tel que pourvu ci-haut, ou qui refuse de payer dans la limite du temps fixé, la pénalité à laquelle il a été condamné, n'auront droit à aucune réclamation contre l'Association, et le certificat bénéficiaire émis à tel membre sera nul et sans effet.
30. Si l'appelant meurt pendant appel, et que cet appel soit approuvé, ses bénéficiaires seront réintégrés dans leurs anciens droits.
31. Tout membre qui se sera conformé à la sentence imposée aura droit d'être réinstallé sur demande par écrit faite à la première assemblée subséquente de sa Succursale, en payant toutes les contributions et cotisations prélevées jusqu'au moment de sa réinstallation.
32. Aucun membre n'aura droit de prendre une action ou autre, procédés légaux contre le Grand Conseil, ou les Syndics d'une Succursale avant d'avoir épuisé tous les moyens pourvus par la Constitution et ce Code, par voie d'appel ou autrement.
33. Toutes amendes imposées d'après les dispositions de ce Code seront recouvrables par le Grand Secrétaire et seront par lui versées au fonds général du Grand Conseil.
34. Les dépenses de l'arbitre et du sténographe dont il est question dans ce Code seront payés par le Grand Conseil.